

Bovine Blood & Blood Products – for Pharmaceutical Use Export to Republic of South Africa

- USDA APHIS Veterinary Services must inspect the source slaughter facility(ies) at least annually to be sure that the source animals and blood collection methods meet the requirements specified in the animal health export certificate.
- Exporting facilities must have a system in place (i.e., lot numbers, chain of custody procedures) to ensure that the blood used in the final products exported to the Republic of South Africa can be traced back to the source animals and slaughter facilities inspected by USDA APHIS Veterinary Services. Verification of this custody and tracking system will be part of the inspection performed by USDA APHIS Veterinary Services prior to endorsement of export certificates for the products.
- All applicable lot numbers (from slaughter through final product manufacturing and packaging) must be included on the animal health export certificate.
- The Republic of South Africa requires an import permit for the entry of these products. Exporters should obtain the required import permit and complete registration of their products with the government of South Africa prior to export.